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Applicants: Alan D. Adams, et al.

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Examiner: Bruck Kifle

For: THERAPUTIC COMPOUNDS FOR TREATING
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 AFTER FINAL ACTION

Dear Sirs:

This is sent in response to the Final Office Action dated March 10, 2006. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Communication.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this Communication.

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